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Applicant: Crystal WATKINS et al.

Title: METHODS FOR PREVENTION AND  
TREATMENT OF GASTROINTESTINAL  
DISORDERS

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[ X ] Large Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is hereby asserted.

[ X ] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	46	—	46	=	0	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents:	6	—	7	=	0	x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:						+	\$280.00	=	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:									\$0.00

[ X ] No extension of time is required. A response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2003, is due April 6, 2003. This paper is timely submitted on April 7, 2003, because April 6, 2003 is a Sunday.


[ ] A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 4/7/03

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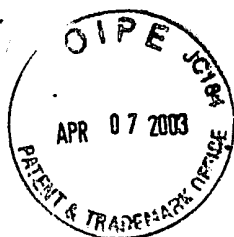


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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office action dated January 6, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Since this communication is filed within the three month period for response, no extension of time is required.

In accordance with the revised format for amendments set forth in the Pre-OG Notice dated January 31, 2003, please amend the application as follows.